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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(4), Applicant petitions the Commissioner to consider this Information Disclosure Statement and to make of record the documents cited on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 and that a copy of the Form be initialed by the Examiner and returned to the undersigned.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is not an admission that the documents identified herein constitute prior art to the present application. Rather, this paper is submitted to make of record the references disclosed in the specification as originally filed.

A concise explanation of the relevance of the foreign language reference, European Patent No. EP 0 549 401, can be found in the Specification as originally filed at page 2, lines 24-27.

This Supplemental Information disclosure Statement is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c). As this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination, no fee is believed to be due for the entry and consideration of this paper. If, however any additional fee is due, the Director is authorized to charge any fee required or credit any overpayment involving this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Respectfully submitted,

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